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1. Rathenow (Z15)

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Some new artillery units have been added to those already at Rathenow and all barracks are fully occupied. [REDACTED]

[redacted] An armored force workshop services all units in the region.

Comment:

The Rathenow garrison was strengthened by artillery units shifted there from Bitterfeld and Ratis, Thuringia.

2. Potsdam

The high number of officers is accounted for by the presence of an officers' school: 2,500 infantrymen and 150 officers under Colonel Boriskov in the City Barracks; 2,000 artillerymen and 250 officers under Colonel Grumkov in the former Artillery Barracks; 4,000 armored personnel and 350 officers under Lt Col Eisenberg in the Ziethen Barracks; and 1,600 MVD men, almost all of officer rank, quartered in private houses in the area leading from the railroad station to the center of the city. One of the barracks is reported to shelter 162 tanks.

3. Karlshorst

Based inside the Karlshorst enclave are the following: one infantry regiment used for guard duty, with staff and two battalions located in the former Engineers School on the Zwieselerstrasse; one infantry platoon in the Marksbürgerstrasse and half a platoon in the Waldow-Allee and Köpenicker-Allee; twenty to thirty communications troops in the Weselerstrasse; two naval companies, whose staff is located in the Hentigstrasse.

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4. Mecklenburg

As of 20 June, there were no Soviet garrisons in Löwenberg (Z69), Herzberg (Z9), Rheinsberg (U41) and Zechlin (U31).

5. Magdeburg (Y60)

On 21 June, a newly formed infantry division with some tanks was observed quartered in tents and dirt emplacements fifteen kilometers northwest of Magdeburg.

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